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This volume we hope will be followed by others of the same character, dealing with New Testament heroes. Such a series could not fail to awaken in the hearts of young people a love for the Scriptures, and a knowledge of them which will both enrich their own spiritual life but will also be a means of gainsaying the enemy in his attempts upon their souls.

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Dominican Saints. By the Novices of the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C., with an introduction by the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, D.D., Rector of the Catholic University of America. Washington: Dominicana. Pp. 433.

Above all else the purpose of a Religious Order is the production of holiness in its members, and by its fruits in this direction it must finally be judged. By this standard the followers of Dominic Guzman stand high, and these studies of the fourteen Dominicans who have been raised to the altars of the Church are sure to enhance one's appreciation of the heroic sanctity to which they attained. Beginning, of course, with the sainted founder of the order, these saints are treated in chronological order, and in brief but comprehensive fashion their lives and works are rehearsed. One remarkable thing which strikes the reader as he thinks over these marvellous lives is the fact that nearly all the canonised Dominicans are saints whose fame is by no means confined to their own order, but are really known and venerated as belonging to the Universal Church. St. Dominic, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Raymond of Pennafort, St. Vincent Ferrer, St. Catherine of Siena, St. Pius V., St. Rose of Lima are all such, and he would be a poor Catholic indeed, who was not familiar with them. And though less widely known St. Hyacinth, St. Agnes of Montepulciano, St. Antoninus, or St. John of Cologne, rouse excessive admiration as their prayers and deeds of charity are recounted.

Each sketch is separate and complete—an historical essay by one of the Novices. It seems too bad that the name of these youthful historians may not be attached to their efforts, but such studies as these must serve to stimulate them, as well as their readers, to imitate these chosen ones whose lives they have so well portrayed .

A full page illustration, taken from authentic sources, precedes the account of each life, and a bibliography follows it, enabling anyone who wishes to do so, to make a more exhaustive study of the subject of the sketch.

There is also a final chapter on "Other Saintly Dominicans" and this is followed by the text of the Encyclical Letter of Pope Benedict XV on the occasion of the seventh centenary of the death of St. Dominic. A chronological list of the Dominican saints and blessed follows, revealing besides these fourteen, 287 who have been beatified. The fact that the 19th Century produced 34 of these, shows that the power of holiness still persists in St. Dominic's foundation, and the large number of secular tertiaries who have won the Church's approbation ought to be an encouragement to those who though called to live in the world strive to be not of it.

Altogether this volume is a most valuable work for popular reading, and no one can fail to profit by its perusal. We bespeak for it a wide circulation and trust that others will be led to emulate these novices by issuing accounts of the saints which their own institutes have produced. The world needs them as never before.

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A History of the Constitution of Minnesota, with the First Verified Text. By William Anderson, Ph.D., assistant professor of political science, in collaboration with A. G. Lobb, LL.B., comptroller of the University, Minneapolis: 1921 Pp. vii+323.

This volume will prove serviceable as a reference book for students and teachers of the state, and to a less extent for state judges and officials. Students of state government will welcome such a compilation for a single state, because as these accumulate, it will enable some scholar to give us a good, general state constitutional history, of which political scientists are sorely in need. The states of the old Northwest in this regard are leading the way, making available in scholarly fashion accounts of their political and constitutional development. Like most works of this kind, the author writes a good introductory